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In re application: **Bradford et al.**§
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§Serial No.: **10/799,172**Group Art Unit: **2154**Filed: **March 12, 2004**Examiner: **Vu, Viet Duy****For: A Method, Apparatus and
Computer Program Product for
Workload Balancing Along Multiple
Communication of Paths to a
Plurality of Devices**Attorney Docket No.: **99-063-MIX****Certificate of Transmission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)**

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Jennifer Pilcher**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

A fee of \$800.00 is required for converting 4 dependent claims into independent form. No additional fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any additional fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to Storage Technology Corporation Deposit Account No. 19-4545.

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In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.